

Ordo ab Chao: Spatial Integrity and the Cycles of Cosmic Renewal

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Abstract

This essay proposes a cosmological theory rooted in the idea that **space itself possesses integrity**—an inherent resistance to the intrusion of matter. When local matter density crosses a threshold, space responds with compression, manifesting as gravity. At extreme densities, this tension resolves in the form of **Localized Big Bangs**, leading to cosmic renewal. A simple spring-based equation approximates this behavior, offering a fresh alternative to conventional explanations relying on dark matter and dark energy.

1. Introduction: A Universe Without a Singular Beginning

Modern cosmology relies on an initial Big Bang event and the presence of unseen forces. But if space is infinite, eternal, and naturally empty, then matter is a disruption—not a starting point. This essay explores space's tendency to **preserve nothingness** by resisting matter, leading to gravitational compression and cycles of renewal.

2. Spatial Integrity: A New View of Gravity

We propose:

- **Space Integrity Force (SIF):** a restoring response that increases once matter density exceeds a critical value
- **Recognition Threshold (ρ_0):** the density at which space begins to respond
- **Matter Density (ρ):** the amount of mass per volume in a given region

In the style of Hooke's Law (spring tension), we write:

SIF = $-K \times (\rho - \rho_0)$ for densities **above the threshold**

Where:

- **K** is a stiffness factor expressing how “firmly” space resists intrusion
- Below ρ_0 , SIF ≈ 0 (space is indifferent)

3. Visual Analogy: Space as a Spring

Imagine space like a coiled spring:

- When matter enters, the spring compresses
- If too much matter intrudes, tension builds until the spring “snaps”
- That snap is a **Localized Big Bang**, resetting structure in that region

You can visualize this with a simple line graph:

- **Horizontal axis:** Density (ρ)
- **Vertical axis:** SIF
- Below ρ_0 , the line hugs zero; above it, the line rises linearly

4. Temperature as a Gatekeeper

Temperature determines when space “notices” matter:

- Early universe temperatures $>10^9$ K prevented stable atoms—space remained indifferent
- At $\sim 3,000$ K, neutral hydrogen formed (the **recombination era**) and gravity began shaping structure
- Present universe (~ 2.7 K): space continues shaping galaxies, stars, and voids

Era	Temperature	Space’s Response
Plasma Era	$>10^9$ K	No recognition
Recombination Era	$\sim 3,000$ K	Gravity awakens
Present Day	2.7 K	Active spatial shaping

5. Dynamics of Compression

To describe how density changes over time, we use:

$$d\rho/dt = \alpha K \times (\rho - \rho_0)$$

Where:

- α is a responsiveness factor
- When ρ exceeds ρ_0 , density increases faster—compressing until renewal occurs

This equation mimics the tension and release cycle seen in gravitational collapse and cosmic rebirth.

6. Localized Big Bangs: A Cycle of Cosmic Renewal

When compression reaches a peak, space can no longer preserve its integrity. The result:

1. **Compression intensifies**

2. **Tension peaks**
3. **Explosion: Localized Big Bang**
4. **Cooling and recombination**
5. **New structure emerges**

These events happen throughout infinite space—renewal is cyclical, not singular.

7. Rethinking Dark Matter and Dark Energy

Instead of unseen substances:

- Gravity emerges from space's integrity response
- Cosmic expansion comes from local resets—not a uniform repulsive force
- The universe is structured by space's defense mechanism

8. Future Directions

To further develop this theory:

- Assign values to constants (K , α , ρ_0)
- Run simulations of matter clustering without dark matter
- Compare predictions to observed rotation curves and lensing patterns
- Explore fluid dynamics or quantum analogies of spatial integrity

Conclusion

This theory presents an elegant, intuitive model of the universe as a living system—one where space protects its emptiness and renews itself through cycles of recognition and release. It invites new perspectives on gravity, entropy, and structure, offering both scientific and philosophical insight.